

CLAIMS:

1. A post foaming composition which comprises an aqueous medium which includes therein:

- 5 i) at least one primary surfactant;
- ii) at least one rheology modifying agent which provides the aqueous medium with a yield value; and
- 10 iii) a biliquid foam which comprises an aqueous medium as the continuous phase and a water-insoluble liquid having a boiling point in the range of from 25 to 72°C as the internal phase;

wherein the water-insoluble liquid which is incorporated into the biliquid foam as the internal phase is chosen so that, in use, the said liquid vaporises and either spontaneously causes the composition to foam or, when the composition is applied to a surface and rubbed, causes the composition to foam.

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2. A composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein the primary surfactant is contained in the composition in an amount of from 4 to 18% by weight.

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3. A composition as claimed in claim 2 wherein the primary surfactant is selected from the group consisting of an alkyl ether sulphate, alkyl sulphate, alkyl olefin sulphate, sulphosuccinate, sorbitol ester, alkyl glucoside and mixtures thereof.

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4. A composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein the rheology modifying agent is selected from the group

consisting of guar gum, xanthan gum, locust bean gum, aliginates and their salts, gelatin, gum acacia, hydroxymethylcellulose and its sodium salt, hydroxypropylcellulose, hydroxyethylcellulose
5 carboxymethylcellulose, magnesium aluminium silicates, bentonite, salts of crosslinked polymers of acrylic acid glyceryl polymethacrylates and their dispersions in glycols, and mixtures thereof.

10 5. A composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein the biliquid foam comprises from 1 to 80% by weight of the composition.

15 6. A composition as claimed in claim 5 wherein the biliquid foam comprises from 3 to 10% by weight of the composition.

20 7. A composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein the water-insoluble liquid in the biliquid foam is selected from the group consisting of isohexane, methylcyclopentane, hexane, pentane, isopentane, 1-methoxy-nona-fluorobutane, perfluoropentane, perfluoro-N-methylmorphine and perfluorohexane.

25 8. A composition as claimed in claim 1 which contains a second biliquid foam.

9. A composition as claimed in claim 1 which contains a thermal generator.

30 10. A composition as claimed in claim 1 which also contains therein one or more additives selected from the

group consisting of antimicrobial agents, preservatives, antioxidants, colouring agents, perfumes and flavouring agents.

5 11. A post foaming composition as claimed in claim 1 which is a body wash, a shower cream, a hair mousse, a shaving cream, a facial cleansing cream, a glass cleaner or a multipurpose household cleaner.

10 12. A post forming composition as claimed in claim 1 which is packaged in a non-pressurized container having a zero headspace.

15 13. A post forming composition as claimed in claim 12 wherein the container is made from a metal, a polymeric material or a laminate material.